

**TRAFFIC AND PARKING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING  
OCTOBER 26, 2009**

**DOCKET ITEM:** 4

**ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to install NO PARKING HERE TO CORNER sign from the driveway in front of 5319 Fillmore Avenue to Seminary Road.

**APPLICANT:** Frances Paquette, 5413 Fillmore Avenue

**LOCATION:** 5400 block Fillmore Avenue

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of the request

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Paquette submitted this request because motorists are having difficulty negotiating the Fillmore Avenue leg of this intersection when vehicles are parked on the street. Fillmore Avenue is very narrow with a street width of 18 feet between curb lines. Section 5-2-4 (2) of the City Code requires a minimum street width of 30 feet between curb lines. Section 5-8-161 requires a minimum travel way of 24 feet.

When vehicles are parked at the intersection and there's a vehicle waiting on the Fillmore Avenue approach, there is no space left for vehicles turning from Seminary Road on to Fillmore Avenue. Parking used to not be allowed on Fillmore Avenue. However, several years ago the parking restrictions were removed as part of the curb and gutter project.

Staff checked with the Seminary West Civic Association concerning this request and the Association did not express any concerns over this proposal. Staff also delivered a notice to the resident at 5319 Fillmore Avenue and is still waiting for a response.

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**DOCKET ITEM: 5**

**ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to install 15 MPH School Speed Limit signs with Flashing Beacons in the 400 block and 500 block of Cameron Station Boulevard at Samuel Tucker Elementary School.

**APPLICANT:** City of Alexandria and Samuel Tucker Elementary School

**LOCATION:** Cameron Station Blvd. between South Pickett Street and Ferdinand Day Drive

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board recommend to the City Manager that SCHOOL SPEED LIMIT 15 MPH WHEN FLASHING signs be installed on Cameron Station Boulevard between South Pickett Street and Ferdinand Day Drive.

**DISCUSSION:** Due to ongoing construction at Samuel Tucker Elementary School, the Alexandria City Public School system has been providing busing to students living within a one-mile radius of the school. This busing policy created an unspoken policy that discouraged walking and bicycling to school.

However, in 2009 and with construction on Cameron Station largely complete, ACPS rescinded this policy and began limiting school bus transportation to students living within one mile of the school. This has dramatically increased the number of students who walk or bicycle to Samuel Tucker Elementary School.

To address pedestrian and bicyclist safety, the City and Samuel Tucker Elementary School propose to install standard “SCHOOL SPEED LIMIT 15 MPH WHEN FLASHING” (MUTCD standard S5-1 signs) on Cameron Station Boulevard between South Pickett Street and Ferdinand Day Drive. Staff also proposes to install “End School Zone” (S5-2) signs.

All signs, including installation locations, shall conform to guidance provided in the 2003 edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

Attachments:

Letter from ACPS rescinding busing policy for Tucker Elementary School

Letter of support from Tucker Elementary School Principal Loretta Scott and PTA president Janice McLaury

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**DOCKET ITEM:** 6

**ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to change the hours and days of operation for the metered parking in Carlyle (Zone 3) from: 8 :00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday, to: 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. Monday through Saturday.

**APPLICANT:** City Of Alexandria

**LOCATION:** Eisenhower Valley Area

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of this request.

**DISCUSSION:** As East Eisenhower has developed, the demand for on-street parking has increased considerably. Further straining the parking needs has been the increase of ground level retail shops. Carlyle is not a sufficient size market to fully support these shops and so customers from outside the area are needed to help sustain the viability. Unfortunately, many customers have complained about the lack of available on-street parking. The goal of this request is to increase on-street parking turn-over.

Staff checked with the Patent and Trade Office concerning this proposal and found no opposition. Staff also checked with the Carlyle Towers Condominium Unit Owners Association and the Carlyle-Eisenhower Civic Association and found no opposition. It should be pointed out that the Carlyle-Eisenhower Civic Association is no longer active but some of the past members were contacted. The Carlyle City Residents Homeowners Association is not registered with the City, however, staff is attempting to contact them through their property manager.

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**DOCKET ITEM:** 7

**ISSUE:** Consideration of a request to install “NO PARKING 8:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M. SUNDAY ONLY” signs in front of 700 West Braddock Road at First Assembly of God Church.

**APPLICANT:** First Assembly of God, 700 West Braddock Road

**LOCATION:** 700 block West Braddock Road

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends approval of the request

**DISCUSSION:** First Assembly of God Church is located at 700 West Braddock Road. There are four parking spaces in front of the church with no restrictions. The Church is concerned that vehicles parking in front of the church causing a safety hazard for member’s leaving the church that are unable to see clearly around the parked vehicles.